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St. James's, October 30.

THIS being the Birth-Day of His Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales, there was a very numerous and ſplendid Appearance at Court of the Nobility and other Perſons of Diſtinction: And at Night there were Illuminations, and other Publick Demonſtrations of Joy.

Paris, Nov. 5. Upon the Advice the Court has received from Madrid, that the King of Spain had cauſed Lodgings to be fitted up for the Duke of St. Simon at Buen-Retiro, Orders are given to fit up the Hôtel of Ambaſſadours here for the Duke d'Oſſuna, whoſe Equipage is getting ready with the utmoſt Diligence for the publick Audience he is to have of the King. It is ſaid his Excellency will return Home in the Beginning of December next. The Marqueſs de la Farre is to ſet out for Spain on the 7th Inſtant, on the Part of the Duke Regent. The Marqueſs de Rivarollei is expected here in Quality of Ambaſſadour from the King of Sardinia. The following Extract of the Advices relating to the Plague received by the Court, has been communicated to the foreign Miniſters.

Lower Provence. From the Marqueſs de Cailus the 12th and 16th of October: The Town of Aix has finiſhed its Quarantain; the Houſes have been diſinfected (or perfumed;) and it's Commerce is re-eſtabliſhed with the other Towns of Provence. Three or four Villages excepted, all the reſt are in a Way of being cured. M. le Bret, in Letters of the ſame Dates, confirms the perfect Re-eſtabliſhment of Health at Aix, and the intire Evacuation of the Infirmaries. There yet remain ſome Footſteps of the Plague at Beſſe and Salons. The Bailly de Langeron writes the 11th of October, that from the 19th of Auguſt there had not been one Perſon ſick of the Plague at Marſeilles; and in his Letter was incloſed a Declaration printed at Marſeilles, which had been publiſhed to notify the good State of Health in that City.

Upper Provence. M. de Belrieu, Major-General, in his Letters of the 13th and 16th of October ſays, The 6th of October 60 Perſons died at Avignon, and 80 were fallen ſick. Sorgues is newly infected. Bedarides, Chateauneuf de Pape, and Mirreoux, continue in a very bad Condition. Since the Plague broke out at Orange, no more than 19 have died there; and in the Infirmaries are 10 ſick. Caumont and Gadeigne are very much ſuſpected. The Borders of the Comtat of Avignon are carefully guarded: Not one Village of Dauphiné, or of Upper Provence is infected.

The Gevaudan. The Duke of Roquelaure writes the 15th and 17th of October, That from the Syndick of the Gevaudan he had an Account, that on the 10th of October Marvejols was much mended, and that 400 were recovering of the Sickneſs. That at Mende 60 Perſons had died on the 7th, 8th and 9th, and a good Number had fallen ill on the 10th: And that the Infection had begun to ſpread more and more in that Town, notwithſtanding all the Care taken by M. de Fraiſſe, through the Obſtinacy of the Inhabitants to conceal the Diſtemper. The Biſhop of Alais and the Subdelegate had written to him the 12th, that the Place was in very good Health; which had induced him to ſend back to quarter there a Detachment of 50 Men. M. Iverny Brigadier writes from Alais the 13th of October, that beſides three Perſons dead in one Houſe of the little Suburbs which is ſeparated from the Town by the River Gardon, four more had died, three of them in the ſame Houſe, and a Woman related to them, in that Suburbs. A Soldier who carried the firſt of theſe Dead to be buried, being put under Quarantain died likewiſe. The ſaid Suburbs is inveſted, and the Inhabitants are forbidden to ſtir out of their Houſes, on pain of Death. If any one Perſon ſhall fall ſick of the Diſtemper in the Town, M. Iverny will cauſe it to be inveſted with the ſame Regularity. M. de Rambion in his Letter of the 14th of October, incloſes one from M. Corneille who commands the Blockade of Chambon, relating, that he had cauſed the Farm-Houſe of Bez to be burnt, with all the Cattle that were there: He ſends alſo a Letter from the Prior, affirming that of 53 Perſons of each Sex and all Ages who had retired thither, not one had been ſick ſince the 8th of September. M. de Rambion had given Orders for palliſading that Abbey, and faſtening up the Gate and the Windows, by which he had Notice a Monk would have made his Eſcape. M. de Rothe writes the 16th of October, that till then there was no Suſpicion of the Plague in the Town of Alais. At Genouilhac 30 Perſons died between the 1ſt of September and the 11th of October. Nothing has been obſerved at Berias, ſince a Man died the 1ſt of October ſuſpected of having a Plague-Sore. Nor is there any thing new from la Rouſſe. There are many ſick at St. Genaix, only two Perſons had died the 13th of October. Marvejols has but 460 Perſons in Health, and 350 recovering; the ſick not reckoned. At Mende 90 Perſons have died between the 30th of September and the 8th of October in the Infirmaries; there are no ſick in the Town. All the Troops are in good Health. M. Bailly and le Moyne, Phyſicians, write the 9th of October, that the Plague was decreaſing at Marvejols, and very violent at Mende. The Marſhal Berwick writes the 19th of October, that he had Accounts from M. de Bonas, de Lignerac, and de Beaune, that all was in good Health in Rouergue and Auvergne: He hopes the Winter will ſtop the Courſe of the Diſtemper.

London, October 30.

Laſt Saturday Sir William Stewart, Kt. Lord Mayor Elect for the Year enſuing, was Sworn at Guildhall, and Sir John Fryer, Bart. the late Lord Mayor, ſurrendered to him the Chair and other Enſigns of Mayoralty in the Manner accuſtomed.

This Day the new Lord Mayor, accompanied by the late Lord Mayor, Aldermen, Recorder, and Sheriffs in their Scarlet Gowns, went in their Coaches to the Water Side, the Sword and Mace being carried before them, and the City Officers attending; and from thence proceeded in the City Barge, attended by the ſeveral Companies in their reſpective Barges adorned with Streamers and Pendants to Weſtminſter; and having walked round the Hall and ſolemnly ſaluted all the Courts, they went to the Exchequer Bar, and the Lord Mayor did there take the Oaths appointed, and having recorded Warrants of Attorney in the proper Courts, returned by Water to Black-Friers, and from thence in Coaches with the uſual Solemnity to Drapers-Hall, where a magnificent Entertainment was provided, at which were preſent the great Officers of State, divers of the Nobility, Lords of His Majeſty's moſt Honourable Privy Council, the Judges, and other Perſons of Quality and Diſtinction.